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Fossil hunters flock to cliff fall for a Jurassic souvenir

A LARGE landslide between Lyme Regis and Charmouth has seen hundreds of fossil hunters flock to the area over the Christmas period.

The beach has been described as "heaving" since the landslip, with fossil hunters hoping to take home their own souvenir of the famous Jurassic Coast.

Tony Gill of Charmouth Fossil Shop said he has "never seen anything on this scale before" with even amateur fossil collectors managing to find ammonites.

However, collectors have been warned to stay safe by checking the weather and tide times before heading to the beach; not to climb on the cliffs or hammer into rocks or the cliff face, but to pick up loose fossils on the beach instead. They are also asked to notify Charmouth Heritage Coast Centre of any significant finds.

Photos by RICHARD AUSTIN

Car flips on roof in Boxing Day crash

A CAR flipped onto its roof in a crash on the corner of Woodmead Road and View Road in Lyme Regis on Boxing Day.

Police and fire crews from Lyme Regis and Charmouth were called to the scene at 6.22pm on Saturday, December 26th.

Police said only one vehicle was involved in the crash and no injuries were reported.

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ADRIAN Ragbourne, 49, is the co-ordinator of LymeForward - a strategic partnership for Lyme Regis, Charmouth and Uplyme.

Adrian moved to the area in 2012 from Worcestershire with his wife and daughters.

● WHAT does your role within LymeForward entail?

I co-ordinate community planning activities designed to support and address our community plan. This is wide ranging; we are currently creating a cookery school group in Lyme, writing the economic plan for our Coastal Community Team and investigating renewable energy projects. We work with other local and voluntary groups and fill in the gaps when there are urgent community issues.

● WHAT is the aim of LymeForward?

The Partnership encourages local people, groups and organisations to work together for the good of the whole community. We aim to improve our community's economic and environmental sustainability.

We hold regular open meetings with the community, organisations and businesses to discuss current issues and agree plans and actions to address them.

● WHAT are some of the issues affecting West Dorset and how are you helping?

Many see West Dorset as well-off with good job opportunities. However, I know there are lots of people struggling to make ends meet.

One of our groups called MovingOn supports mental wellbeing in the community; we have had some real success stories including helping one member gain enough confidence to start their own little business.

● HOW does someone become a member of LymeForward?

LymeForward is open to any organisation or individual interested in our local community. We welcome new members; they can contact us through our website, office or call me directly.

● TELL us about the Coastal Community Team (CCT)?

There are 108 CCT's being created around the coastline. Our team has representation from Charmouth, Uplyme, Lyme Regis and our District Council. We are currently writing an economic plan for the area focusing on regeneration, extending the seasons and making this a better place to live for everyone.

We have just won over £70,000 for the local area including £39,000 for the Marine Theatre to replace their leaking roof. We are looking to submit more bids next year to help other projects in our local area.

● YOU also have an active role with the lifeboat, how did that come about?

One of the reasons for choosing this area was the amazing Jurassic Coastline. As an ex-boat owner, and with a young daughter growing up here, I wanted to support the RNLI in making our coastline a safer place to visit.

I have been a volunteer with our lifeboat team since 2013 and whilst we have a lot of fun, they are a highly organised and professional team.

● WHAT'S the best thing about living in West Dorset?

The fantastic coastline combined with rural countryside, seafood and sea-air. The community spirit is great and we love that there is something going on throughout the year.

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A Christmas boost for lifeboat crew from local caravan park

■ **CHRISTMAS GIFT: Jane Bremner of Wood Farm Caravan Park in Charmouth hands a over a cheque for £4,240 to Lyme Regis lifeboat crew**

LYME Regis lifeboat crew received an extra Christmas present this year when local business owner Jane Bremner, of Wood Farm Caravan Park in Charmouth, presented a cheque for £4,240 to the charity.

The money had been collected throughout the year from visitors to the Wood Farm Caravan Park. Every visitor to the park was given the opportunity to donate £1 to the RNLI charity, which many were happy to do.

Jane explained that Wood Farm regularly chooses a local charity to support for the year and this year it was the RNLI's turn.

"We like to annually support a local charity that has relevance to our visitors and being a coastal town where people specifically come to enjoy the sea and the walks along the coast, the RNLI at Lyme Regis was a very obvious and worthwhile choice this year," Mrs Bremner said.

Mrs Bremner handed over a cheque at one of the crew's regular training sessions before Christmas and was invited aboard the "Spirit of Loch Fyne" lifeboat to make the presentation.

Lifeboat helmsman Murray Saunders said: "We are very grateful for this fantastic donation. It is great to see local businesses like Wood Farm recognising the volunteer work we do and supporting the RNLI with thoughtful fundraising initiatives like this."

Extension takes shape at Scout's HQ

MEMBERS of the 1st Charmouth Scout Group will soon have extra space in their headquarters as work on their new training suite has just begun.

The four-metre deep, full width extension will allow the group to provide its Beavers, Cubs and Scouts with a far better training experience, since it will avoid its sections having to cram all its members into the main hall during meetings. The newly-formed Charmouth Seagulls Explorer Unit will also use the training suite as its base.

"Over the last five years the size of our group has more than quadrupled," said Kevin Payne, acting group scout leader.

"The regular attendance at Cubs and Scouts in now up to 24 a week, so we definitely needed more space. If we can re-open our Beaver early next year, it will mean that over 75 young people from Charmouth and the surrounding villages will be using this great new resource every week.

"We are grateful to all the charities and local supporters who have financed the extension, and hope they will be delighted to see the training suite taking shape."

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Christmas treat for Yuletide Lyme competition winner

Lucky Lyme youngster Alice Hensman was the proud winner of a lovely hamper stuffed with Lyme Regis goodies on Christmas Eve.

Her winning entry in the Yuletide Lyme Painted Windows Competition was drawn from the collection box in Serendip at 3pm on Christmas Eve and on Monday, December 28th she popped into the Royal Lion Hotel with mum Teresa to collect her prize (pictured above).

"We always do the painted windows competition", she told Tony Colston, chairman of Lyme Regis Business Group, which organised the competition.

"It's great fun tracking down all the lovely windows and then working out the phrase!"

There were painted eighteen windows in all to find this year, each with a letter hidden in their design which spelt out a phrase - "We all love Lyme Regis.

Mr Colston said: "Thanks to everyone who took part in the fun this festive season and we wish you all a great New Year and a healthy and healthy 2016!"

More information about Yuletide Lyme can be found on the Facebook page www.facebook.com/Yuletidelymeregis or by emailing at info@lymeregisbusinessgroup.org

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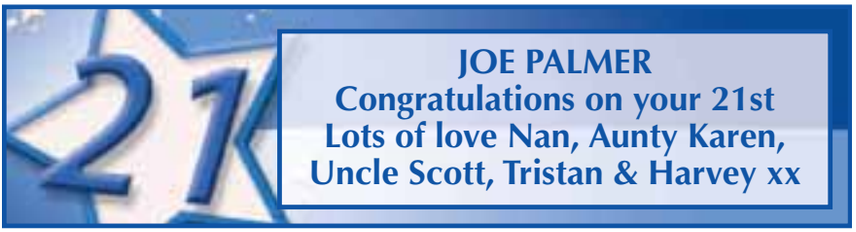

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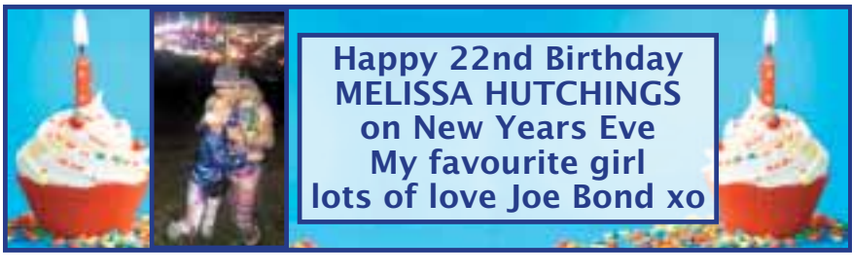

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Don't miss Lyme's New Year events

THE annual Lyme Lunge will take place on Friday, January 1st at 1pm on the main beach of Lyme Regis.

As usual, hundreds of brave swimmers are expected to take to the sea to welcome in the New Year, watched by thousands of cheering spectators.

Organised by the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis, this eighth annual New Year's Day fancy dress dip in the balmy waters of Lyme Bay is fast becoming a "must see" event in the Dorset calendar, with the whole community getting involved.

Children's Hospice South West will be the main beneficiary from the fundraising effort this year.

A spokesperson for the Rotary Club said: "Join in, either as an intrepid Lunger or a joyous spectator and make this yet another memorable event.

"Remember the ten 'brides' last year? What fun might we have in store for you on January 1st, 2016? Come along, join in, and find out."

Pick up a sponsor form from the website www.lymeregisrotary.org or contact organiser, Rotarian Jim Moseley, by emailing mose@btinternet.com or call 01297 443170 for more information.

■ THE Lunge will be preceeded by the annual New Year's Day duck race in aid of the town's Christmas lights.

This will be started by the Mayor of Lyme Regis, Councillor Owen Lovell, at 12noon at Windsor Terrace. Ducks will be available to buy for £1 each from 11.15am at the starting line and winners will receive cash prizes.

RETURN OF THANKS

Molly Spencer thanks all those who wrote so generously in tribute to Bernard and those who braved foul weather to attend his funeral service at Weymouth. It is heartening to know how loved he was.

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Huge crowd for popular Carols Around the Tree

By FRANCESCA EVANS
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A HUGE crowd gathered around Lyme Regis' Christmas tree in Broad Street for the town's annual carol service.

The traditional Carols Around the Tree event is a Christmas favourite among residents and visitors, organised by the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis.

Carols were announced by town crier Alan Vian and led by Lyme Regis Town Band. Among those joining in was deputy mayor Councillor Michaela Ellis and husband Alan, as well as other town councillors.

Hot soup and mince pies donated by the Royal Lion Hotel and Pilot Boat Inn were served during an interval.

The carol service was the culmination of the Rotary Club's Christmas fundraising for Julia's House Children's Hospice, with street collections having also been held in Broad Street and in Charmouth. A total of £1,307 was raised for the charity.

A spokesperson for Rotary said: "We would like to thank The Fudge Kitchen for kindly providing our cold and damp collectors with copious mugs of superb coffee and Fortnam, Smith and Banwell for giving us an operations base.

"At the carols, the Royal Lion and Pilot Boat generously donated hot soup and mince pies; the town band played superbly, as always; the town crier announced the carols in his usual enthusiastic and professional manner and thanks also to deputy mayor Michaela Ellis for attending with her husband Alan.

"A great community event indeed!"

■ COMMUNITY EVENT: A large crowd lined Broad Street for the annual event

■ CIVIC SINGERS: Left, deputy mayor Councillor Michaela Ellis and husband Alan and, right, father and daughter Councillors Stan and Anita Williams

■ ORGANISING TEAM: Members of the Rotary Club of Lyme Regis join in the singing

■ FESTIVE TUNES: Lyme Regis Town Band lead the carols

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■ UNIQUE COSTUMES: Three avocados were among those to take to the sea

Stormtroopers, elves and avocados among those to take Christmas Day dip!

Photos by Francesca Evans

STRONG winds and stormy seas didn't put off brave swimmers taking a dip on Christmas Day. The annual swim at Charmouth beach saw hundreds dash into the water ina variety of wild and wacky costumes to raised funds for the RNLI.

The seasonal elves and Santas were in attendance, but the inventiveness of the swimmers in their choice of attire knew no bounds with Star Wars characters, animals and even a few avocados among the costumes on display.

One of the swimmers taking part was 80-year-old Isabelle Ward who has taken part in every Charmouth Christmas Day swim since the event was first set up. As well as supporting the RNLI, this year she managed to raise £700 towards the campaign to rebuild The Clockhouse Inn in Chideock, which burnt down earlier this year, and she was dressed as a clock as she took the icy plunge.

The swim, sponsored by the Royal Oak, was overseen by volunteers from Lyme Regis lifeboat crew who ensured everybody's safety and was officially started by Lyme Regis town crier, Alan Vian.

The crowds in attendance donated over £800 to the RNLI in the collecting buckets being wielded by the volunteers.

After all swimmers were safely back ashore Lyme Regis lifeboat helm Mark Colley said: "Another successful year here at Charmouth, it's great fun for all the swimmers and good to see so many turn out every year.

"The lifeboat crew enjoy coming down every year to help and, of course, it's a fun way to raise some money for the RNLI."

■ THE DARK SIDE: Many dressed as characters from Star Wars following the release of 'The Force Awakens', including Stormtroopers and Darth Vader

■ WELL ATTENDED: There were huge crowds on the beach despite poor weather

■ FROZEN: Swimmers dress as Olaf and Elsa from the hit Disney film

■ FUNDRAISER: Isabelle Ward, 80, raised money to help rebuild The Clockhouse Inn in Chideock

■ READY, SET GO! Swimmers make a dash for the sea

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There is a lot to celebrate with B Sharp

LymeLetters

I AM writing on behalf of everyone at B Sharp to say a heartfelt thank you to the Lyme Regis Santa Sleigh, especially Neville Causley, the Santa Sleigh organiser, and his team, for their very generous donation of £870.

I understand that Santa and his team had to brave the elements this year but luckily they got through and everyone was pleased to see them.

Since B Sharp began in 2007, hundreds of young people have become young musicians, taking part in sessions at The Hub and in local schools and performing to share their talents with audiences at a range of venues from Exeter Cathedral to our annual Busking and Big Mix festivals here in Lyme Regis.

THIS year has been a bumper year for B Sharp. Our two weekly music projects at The Hub are thriving; Hub Jams for 11-18 years and Boombox for 7-11 years offer an all instruments and all voices experience. And we are expanding work into East Devon and further into West Dorset with the support of Youth Music, West Dorset District Council and Axe Valley Schools Federation.

None of this would have been possible without the continued groundswell of support from the community, with the Lyme Regis Co-op making us their charity of the year for 2015-16 and grants from Lyme Regis Town Council, Candles on the Cobb and Carnival and Regatta.

So all in all this is a big thank you to everyone who has supported B Sharp - our young people, parents, local musicians, volunteers, audiences, partnerships, businesses, and our local press. There is a lot to celebrate and be proud of what we have achieved together for the benefit of young people and the wider community.

We look forward to your continued support and participation for 2016 and beyond. We have an exciting programme ahead. If you would like to join or support us please contact me at franwilliams@bsharp.uk.com.

With all the very best wishes for 2016.

Fran Williams,
B Sharp CEO

Thanks for helping me after fall

■ I WOULD like to thank everyone who helped me when I fell over due to strong winds when leaving The Original Factory Shop in Seaton.

A woman and a man helped me and staff from the shop offered me blankets. I broke my femur and was taken to the Royal Devon & Exeter Hospital but am now recovering at home. Thanks to all.

John Porter,
Lym Close, Lyme Regis

Views expressed in letters are those of the author and not necessarily of this newspaper

Fundraisers for museum extension

LYME Regis Museum's "Help Us Grow" (HUG) group will host two fundraising events today (Wednesday, December 30th).

The group will be hosting a children's activity day in the Guildhall from 11am to 2pm, where children will be decorating ammonite plates and then making a dinosaur on a stick.

The event will be run by HUG's Tammy Garner and will cost £2.50 per child.

This will be followed by a quiz night at and that evening at 7.30pm this evening at the Pilot Boat Inn.

The quiz, run by HUG's Valerie Hayward and husband Phil, will take teams of up to six costing £2 a head.

■ **POPULAR EVENT: Lyme Regis Museum supporters take part in a previous quiz night at the Pilot Boat**

All proceeds from both events will go towards the new Mary Anning Wing at the museum.

A museum spokesperson said: "These events are always popular and a good way to occupy that flat time between Christmas and New Year."

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The changing face of Broad Street

Lyme Matters

by Philip Evans

THERE'S been much talk in recent times of the changing face of Broad Street and the desire to ensure it does not become like every other high street in the country, dominated by national brands with their gawdy signage and impersonal service.

I can remember the hue and cry when Woolworths came to town and the prediction that Lyme's main street would never be the same again.

When Woolworths closed to be replaced by Tesco, the howls of protest were just as loud.

When W H Smith and Costa followed, there were real fears that every vacant premise in town would be snapped up by a conglomerate. How long before Kentucky Fried Chicken moves into town? And there are persistent rumours that Wetherspoons want to open one of their popular pubs in Lyme.

In a way, it's good to know that national outlets want to come to Lyme because it demonstrates that they think the town has a commercial future and can sustain such operations despite it being a very long winter from a trading point of view.

Empty shops never stay on the market long in Broad Street and people often say to me what a pity it is that the town can't attract a butcher or greengrocery to Broad Street.

It's a fact, however, that Broad Street rents are too high for independent traders. I recently asked a well known local butcher with a number of outlets why Lyme had never featured in his expansion plans.

He said he would love to have a shop in Lyme but the rents were far too high to make it financially viable once fitting-out costs had been taken into consideration. And to think, at one time Lyme had four butchers' shops.

Traders look forward to a boost in sales at Christmas and whilst the allure of larger nearby towns and the convenience of internet shopping have taken their toll, I still think Lyme's main street has much to offer, a fact that came home to me when I was doing some late shopping on Christmas Eve.

One of my colleagues does all his Christmas shopping in town, making a point that local traders deserve support and that is is possible to shop well without going out of town.

Welcome additions to Broad Street in recent times have been the arrival of two Cornish companies - Sea Salt (formerly the Toby Jug) and Fat Face (formerly HSBC Bank).

I have no cause to give these two shops a free plug because they don't advertise with the ***View*** and are unlikely to do so. But their premises are well appointed, their stock range extensive and their customer service is excellent.

We wait to see what will happen to the former Nat West bank. It won't be a butcher's shop but let's hope it will be a quality outlet that enhances the town centre.

❍ MY favourite festive event in Lyme is carols around the Christmas tree, traditionally organised by the Rotary Club.

I can remember being taken to the gathering by my parents as a youngster and there can't be many I have missed over the years.

It usually clashes with our office Christmas party - the ideal way to finish our working year, although the need to stay sober is a bit of a challenge for some of my staff.

Lyme's popularity as an all-the-year-round resort means that numbers have increased substantially in recent times and there must have been at least 300 peopleat at this year's event, stretching up Broad Street to the Royal Lion.

Rotary have got the organisation of this event down to a fine art and collections help to boost their Christmas appeal for Julia's House Hospice which this year raised the spendid sum of £1,300.

Lyme Regis Town Band provide the music and the local traders pitch in by providing mince pies, hot soup for the carollers and coffee for the helpers.

Rotarians will be on duty again tomorrow (Thursday) for the Lyme Lunge New Year swim, which is now well established as another iconic Lyme Christmas event.

I can't believe this is the View's 501st issue!

LAST week this newspaper celebrated its 500th edition. "Celebrated" might be too strong a word - "noted" would be more accurate. We did not crack open the bubbly!

During that ten years local press has suffered an horrendous time being hit badly by a combination of the recession and the advance of the digital age. Dozens of newspapers have been closed or amalgamated with others and hundreds of journalists sacked.

It continues to this day.

I'm not quite sure how we have managed to survive - but we have and I'm proud of what my staff have achieved.

We may not be everyone's cup of tea, but the fact is that the ***View from Lyme Regis*** is the most successful newspaper ever to contain the town's name on its masthead.

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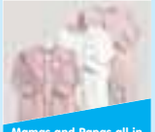

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The highlight of my mum's year was the January sales, which started exactly on January 1st by all stores. Having studied the previous days' papers, she'd drag me into town on the earliest bus, to join the end of a massive queue for the prompt 9am opening of the store containing her most important bargain.

The sales, then a once a year event, mostly enabled people to buy essential items they couldn't otherwise afford. I wonder if today we place more importance on things than people, maybe because we've lost our trust in relationships.

Even when we own a long-craved item, are we completely satisfied? Have we achieved that security of mind and heart which is perhaps our deepest need?

Writing to his young Christian friend Timothy, the apostle Paul said: "Don't worry about anything; instead, pray about everything. Tell God what you need, and thank Him for all He has done. Then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand. His peace will guard your hearts and minds as you live in Christ Jesus."

In a world of conflict, lots of strife situations are personal, between individuals who often show no willingness to be reconciled. None of us should feel beyond help.

As we look back a few days to Christmas, let's remember the Bible teaches "God was in Christ, reconciling the world to Himself".

You are welcome to all church services, now back to normal. I hope we can look forward a few days to 2016 and anticipate a happy New Year.

Rob Greenman, Bethany Chapel

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STAFF and residents of Fairfield House in Lyme Regis got into the festive mood with a busy programme of events over the Christmas period.

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TRANSMISSION

Your guide to local live music

upcoming gigs

Thursday 31 Dec
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
DJ Wilf 9.30pm

The Spice Centre, DORCHESTER
Bernardo - Around the World in 80 Chords 8pm onwards

The Clockhouse (held in the village hall), CHIDEOCK
John De Barra
Doors from 7pm, music 9.30pm

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Saturday 2 Jan
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
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Sunday 3 Jan
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
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Wednesday 6 Jan
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Jim Almand 9.30pm

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Saturday 9 Jan
Nag's Head, LYME REGIS
Real Deal 9pm

Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
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Saturday 9 Jan
Crown Inn, BRIDPORT
Midlife Crisis 9.30pm

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Friday 15 Jan
Arts Cenrtre, BRIDPORT
Jazz Café: Andy Williamson and Philip Clouts
8pm. £10

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Saturday 16 Jan
Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS
Roxy Magic: A night of Roxy Music and Bryan Ferry
Bar open 7pm, show 8pm. Full £12 / Concessions £10.

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Saturday 23 Jan
Arts Centre, BRIDPORT
The Upbeat Beatles
8pm. £16 / £14

Marine Theatre, LYME REGIS
The London Klezmer Quartet
Bar open 6pm, show 7pm. £15 / £10

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Sunday 24 Jan
Village Hall, PORTESHAM
The London Klezmer Quartet
7.30pm

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ROXY MAGIC are the UK's best and longest-running tribute to Roxy Music & Bryan Ferry. This band of experienced and talented musicians recreate the diverse music and imagery of the hugely influential Roxy Music and pop icon Bryan Ferry. All the hits are performed with panache to deliver an exciting and highly entertaining tribute.

Singer Kevin Hackett bears an uncanny resemblance to Ferry both visually and vocally, and has honed a stage presence which has received wide praise from fans of the original.

Roxy Magic perform their set of best remembered Roxy Music hits totally live, believing it to be more dynamic than playing with the aid of backing tracks. Because of the unique range of Roxy Music and Bryan Ferry's music, from art rock to disco, 30s ballads to rock'n'roll and ultimately the smooth sophistication of Avalon, the set has a great deal to offer to a wide audience. Remember and enjoy 'Virginia Plain', 'Avalon', 'Dance Away', 'Street Life', 'Love Is The Drug', 'Angel Eyes', 'Let's Stick Together', and much more.

Roxy Magic play at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Saturday, January 16th. Doors and bar open 7pm, with the show from 8pm. Tickets are £12 or £10 (concessions), available online at www.marinetheatre.com or by calling the box office on 01297 442138.

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BURNS NIGHT CELEBRATIONS WITH THE LONDON KLEZMER QUARTET

DANCE your socks off with the London Klezmer Quartet at an alternative Burns Night ceilidh accompanied by a heart-warming Goulash stew, at the Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis on Saturday, January 23rd.

The band will show you the steps for a variety of Yiddish dances, with live klezmer music to help put a spring in your step. Come along and try out freylekhs, bulgars, zhoks and shers. No previous experience or partner necessary, but willingness to have a good time IS essential.

The London Klezmer Quartet combines the subtleties of the original tradition with a kick-the-chairs-over ability to party, bringing to life an almost-lost folk tradition on violin, clarinet, accordion and double bass.

Your ticket includes a delicious hot supper of a hearty Goulash stew and crusty bread by Aroma Cafe, served on arrival in the theatre.

Bar opens 6pm, with the show from 7pm. All tickets are £15 (including a hot dinner), or £10 (with hot dinner). For more details or to book visit www.marinetheatre.com or call 01297 442138.

■ ***The London Klezmer Quartet also play at Portesham Village Hall on Sunday, January 24th, at 7.30pm. For more details call 01305 871925.***

The London Klezmer Quartet

Icons return to Bridport

FAIRPORT CONVENTION'S WINTER TOUR COMES TO THE ELECTRIC PALACE

FAIRPORT CONVENTION have been making great music for nearly fifty years. Credited with originating the British folk-rock genre, the band have been through many changes but the current members retain a passion for live performance.

This year's Winter Tour will feature a mix of long-established Fairport favourites and new material from their most recent studio album Myths And Heroes which was released in 2015. The concerts will also feature an opening performance by Brighouse-based singer-songwriter Roger Davies whose quirky and entertaining songs reflect his love of Yorkshire and its people.

Fairport Convention have attracted critical acclaim: the band won a coveted BBC Lifetime Achievement Award; Radio 2 listeners voted Fairport's groundbreaking album Liege & Lief The Most Influential Folk Album of All Time and their story has been celebrated with a major documentary on BBC Four television.

Fairport Convention features Simon Nicol on guitar and vocals, Dave Pegg on bass guitar, Chris Leslie on fiddle, mandolin and vocals, Ric Sanders on violin and Gerry Conway on drums and percussion.

Whether you are a long-time fan or a newcomer to their music an evening with Fairport Convention is sure to surprise and delight you.

Fairport Convention play at the Electric Palace, Bridport on Friday, February 26th. Doors open 7pm, with music from 8pm. Tickets are £21 plus booking fee in advance (www.electricpalace.org.uk, www.seetickets.com or by calling 01308 424901), or £24 on the door.

Fairport Convention

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Top comedians come to West Dorset in 2016 - and tickets are available now!

Ed Byrne - Outside, Looking In

Thursday, January 14th • Electric Palace, Bridport
Doors 7pm, show 8pm • Tickets £19.90 (+bf) adv, £21 on the door.

THAT bloke. You know. The Irish guy. No, not the bald one. The other one. You know him. The one Carol from work really likes. Wait, that might be Jason Byrne. Anyway. Funny chap. Has a new show!

Don't miss a chance to win two pairs of tickets to see him and meet him for a chat before the performance. All you need to do is visit electricpalace.org.uk/ed-byrne-chat and fill in your details. Two winners will be chosen at random and each will be able to bring a friend.

Katherine Ryan - Kathbum

Saturday, January 23rd
Weymouth Pavilion. 7.30pm. Tickets £18.

STAR of *Live at the Apollo*, *QI* and *The Jonathan Ross Show*, the razor sharp and hilariously funny Canadian returns with a highly anticipated new show. Hot on the heels of a complete sell-out UK and Australian tour, Katherine hits the road with another terrific comedy show. Put this at the top of your 'must see' list for this year's comedy diary.

Rob Newman – The Brain Show

Sunday, January 31st • Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis
Bar 7pm, show 8pm. Tickets £15, £12 concessions.

AFTER volunteering for a brain-imaging experiment meant to locate the part of the brain that lights up when you're in love, Rob emerges with more questions than answers.

Can brain scans read our minds? Are we our brains? How can you map the mind?

The show includes a specially constructed MRI-hat that will record Robert's real-time brain activity in the show.

Stewart Francis - Pun Gent

Friday, February 5th
Weymouth Pavilion
7.30pm. Tickets £20

Saturday, February 6th
Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis
Bar 7.15pm, show 8pm. Tickets £18.50

THE star of *Mock The Week*, *Michael McIntyre's Roadshow* and *Live At The Apollo*, embarks on a brand new stand up tour with a fantastic and hilarious new show!

Mark Steel - Who do I think I am?

Friday, February 26th • Marine Theatre, Lyme Regis
Bar 7pm, show 8pm. Tickets £18.50

IT NEVER really bothered me that I'd never met my mum. It never occurred to me I needed to meet her to 'find out who I was', as it didn't seem likely I'd discover I was someone different to who I thought I was. Could it turn out I was three stone lighter than I thought, or I spoke Italian or supported Arsenal or had a fear of Liquorice Allsorts?

But after the birth of my own son, I realised it's quite an event to have a child, and she may well remember giving birth to me, and maybe even the adoption.

See Mark Steel in his newest stand up show, a surprising and enthralling story told with aplomb.

Simon Evans - In The Money

Friday, March 18th • Dorchester Arts at the Corn Exchange
Doors 7.30pm, show 8pm. Tickets £14/£12 members.

Saturday, May 14th • Bridport Arts Centre
Show 8pm. Tickets £14/£12 concs.

HOST of BBC Radio 4's *Goes to Market* and star of BBC1's *Live at the Apollo*, Simon Evans has been immersing himself in economics for the last couple of years, "like a pig immersing itself in organic cleansing elements."

Expect more hilarious political rants on why the French don't want to own their own home, through to why mass spectrometers reveal Americans to literally be made of corn, and why Alco-Synth – the effects of alcohol but with an effective antidote – is not likely to be appearing at a wine bar near you in the near future, despite having been invented years ago. As usual the whole thing deteriorates swiftly into a heartfelt rant about his children but these are at least the lofty aspirations he starts with this time…

Fred Macaulay

Friday, April 29th • Bridport Arts Centre
Show 8pm. Tickets £14.

IT SOUNDS like a wrong tennis score, but Twenty Fifteen is a hugely significant year for one of Scotland's best (and best loved) stand-up comedians. Back on the road again after 18 years at BBC Radio Scotland, Fred looks back on family life at home…..and forward to how his country will shape up after the referendum of 2014. In his first tour since 2012 and with a new show, as well as looking backwards and forwards he'll probably look sideways at politics, sport, the environment and, without this sounding too like a brief for a newspaper, there will undoubtedly be a colour supplement with a look at 'celebrity'.

Lee Nelson - Suited & Booted

Friday, April 29th • Dorchester Arts at the Corn Exchange
Doors & bar 7pm, onstage 8pm. Tickets £20/£18

HE HEADLINED Glastonbury with Kanye West and bribed Sepp Blatter at FIFA's headquarters. Now he's extending his sell-out tour into 2016. Catch Lee Nelson at his absolute best… live and unleashed.

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UNTIL SUNDAY JANUARY 3RD

Lyme Regis: For the fifth year, The Courtyard Gallery hosts a Vintage Pop Up Shop throughout the holiday season where you can pick up sourced, repaired and up-cycled vintage items, perfect for Secret Santas or Christmas treats, Courtyard Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10am-4.pm. Free admission. Visit www.townmillartsguild.com for more details

Lyme Regis: The annual Christmas Art Fair showcases the latest works by members of Town Mill Arts, offering for sale at affordable prices paintings, drawings, prints, pottery, textiles, jewellery and books, Malthouse Gallery, The Town Mill, Mill Lane, Lyme Regis DT7 3PU. Open daily; 10.30am-4.30pm. Free admission.
www.townmillartsguild.com

THURSDAY DECEMBER 31ST

Bridport: 80s & 90s Disco at the Beehive, 9pm-1am. £5 admission (ROAR). Fancy dress optional. All proceeds to Weldmar Hospicecare Trust. For more details call 07788 943220.

SATURDAY JANUARY 2ND

Bridport: Bridport Ceilidhs' first dance of 2016 with "Abacus", a young band out of Exeter Uni's folk dance circuit, teamed with experienced caller Richad Mason who specialises in writing and calling some intriguing dances. At Church House (St Mary's) Hall, South Street, Bridport DT6 3NW. Bring and Share finger food supper, with some soft drinks provided; bring your own beer/wine and make a party of it! Doors open 7.15 for 7.30-11pm dance. Tickets on the door at £9.00, cheaper to buy in advance for £8 from "The Music Shop", South Street, "The Lime Tree" Deli, West Street, or book with Monty or Mecki on 01308 423 442, email monty3dayslate@yahoo.co.uk. For more details visit www.bridportceilidhs.wordpress.com

SUNDAY JANUARY 3RD

Bridport: International folk music and dance session at 12.30 – 2.30pm in The Ropemakers, West Street, Bridport DT6 3QP, featuring music from the Balkans, Greece and France. Regular sessions are held on the first Sunday of the month. Entry is free. All players are welcome (some sheet music can be distributed in advance if wished); dancers of any ability are invited, with walks-through for newcomers commencing at midday. The pub is open 12 – 3pm and serves excellent home-cooked lunches. Call Mecki on 01308 423 442 or email mecki1@yahoo.co.uk

MONDAY JANUARY 4TH

Bridport: Bridport Folk Dance Club at 7.30-9.30 pm in the WI Hall, North Street, Bridport. Enjoy folk dancing mainly in the English tradition from Playford-style to modern-day compositions at Bridport's long-established weekly club, with guest and club callers, recorded music and occasional live bands. No partner or previous experience required. Membership available at £2 per year, giving entry at £2.50. Contact Jane on 01308 898 002 or Monty on 01308 423 442. Also on subsequent Mondays: 11th, 18th and 25th.

TUESDAY JANUARY 5TH

Lyme Regis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2–4pm at Woodmead Halls. Dorset artist Stephen Foster demonstrates his approach to a seascape in oil over acrylic, with use of a palette knife. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for further information.

WEDNESDAY JANUARY 6TH

Bridport: Bridport Camera Club. Talented Dorset photographer John Tilsley will give a talk on "Developing a Photographic Style". 7.30pm Chancery House, Bridport, DT6 3JT. New members are always welcome. All enquiries please phone the Club Secretary on 01308 459266.

THURSDAY JANUARY 7TH

Dorchester: The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship will meet at 2 for 2.30pm in the Boys Brigade Hall, Sawmills Lane, Dorchester DT1 2RZ when there will be a talk on Farm and Agriculture Advancement at Sydling St Nicholas. The West Dorset Health Service Retirement Fellowship was set up over 30 years ago for retired employees of the Health Service and their partners living in Dorset and meet on the first Thursday of every month except August and December. In addition to the monthly meetings, we have coach outings, a theatre trip and Christmas lunch. New members welcome. Contact 01305 261676 or 785546 for further information.

FRIDAY JANUARY 8TH

Lyme Regis: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Competition: Street Photography. Followed by Penny Piddock with her presentation on Creative light. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

Lyme Regis: U3A Heritage Coast."Escape from Christchurch" - talk by Richard Hamblin of the British Geological Survey. Richard was standing almost at the epicentre of the devastating earthquake in Christchurch, New Zealand. He will describe his traumatic journey from the epicentre to the evacuation centre. Woodmead Hall, Hill Road, Lyme Regis. Coffee/tea from 10am. Talk at 11am. Free for members, suggested donation £2 for talk for non-members.

MONDAY JANUARY 11TH

Dorchester: Cruse Bereavement Care Dorset - Support Group meeting. At the United Church, 2-4pm. Have a chat over a cup of tea or coffee. For more details call 07767 305696.

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Beaminster: Dorset moviola present '45 Years' (cert 15) in the Beaminster Public Hall. Doors 7pm, film 7.30pm. Avaialble from Yarn Barton (01308 862715) weekdays 930-12.30 and Saturdays 9am-1pm, or call 01308 861746.

TUESDAY JANUARY 19TH

Lyme Regis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Meeting 2-4pm at Woodmead Halls. Celia Olsson from Devon will show us how to achieve texture in watercolour and mixed media. All are welcome. Non-members admittance is £5. Contact Sheila on 01297 445464 for more details

FRIDAY JANUARY 22ND

Lyme Regis: Lyme Bay Photographic Club. Jonathan Walker, Archive pictures of war photography from the Crimea to latest conflicts. At Woodmead Halls, Hill Road, 7.30pm.

MONDAY JANUARY 25TH

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TUESDAY JANUARY 26TH

Lyme Regis: Lyme Regis Art Society. Workshop 10am–1pm at Lyme Regis Football Club, Charmouth Road, Lyme Regis. A follow up to Stephen Foster's demonstration on a seascape in oil over acrylic, using a palette knife. Free on site parking. All are welcome. Please contact Sue Wells on 01297 444289 to register and for more information including suggested list of materials.

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5 TIPS FOR SAVING WATER...

By Julia Gray, Press Association

1. FLUSHING: About a third of the water we use at home is for flushing the loo, but you can save a lot by only flushing when there's something solid to flush away. If this doesn't appeal, you can restrict the amount of water used for each flush by fitting a water-saving loo, such as a dual-flush one that has a big and a little flush. You can also put something (a brick, or a plastic bag designed for the job - some water companies provide these free of charge) in the cistern, so it doesn't use as much water to flush.

2. SHOWERS: Taking a shower uses around two-thirds less water than taking a bath, but this is providing you're only in the shower for a few minutes and it's not a power shower - power showers can use more water than a bath. You'll save most water by fitting a flow-restricting shower or an aerating shower head. These use less water per minute and shouldn't leave you showering in a dribble. Mira Showers' Eco showers, for example, use flow regulators to limit the maximum flow of water, while their Eco shower heads use aerating technology to create the sensation of a normal flow using a lot less water (see www.mirashowers.co.uk).

3. DRIPPING: If you have a dripping tap, fix it as quickly as possible because it will soon waste litres of water. Often the tap just needs a new washer, which isn't hard to fit. You can also save water by fitting flow restrictors or regulators to your home's taps, or tap inserts that aerate the water.

4. RECYCLING: One of the best ways to save water is to install a grey-water recycling system. This typically takes waste water from the bath, shower and basin (and sometimes other waste water too) and uses it for the loo and outside tap. There are various ways to do this, some of which are expensive, but it can be as straightforward as fitting a waste-pipe splitter to separate the water from your bathroom's loo from the room's other waste water.

5. WATER BUTT: In the garden, rainwater can be collected in a water butt by connecting it to a downpipe, which is a fairly simple DIY job. This makes watering the garden easier, especially when there's a hosepipe ban. A more elaborate version of this is a rainwater harvesting system. There are different versions, but it's often a system that collects rain from the guttering and pumps it to where it's needed. More than half of the mains water we use at home could be replaced by rainwater in this way, so it could make a big difference.

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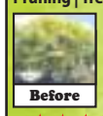
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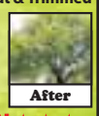
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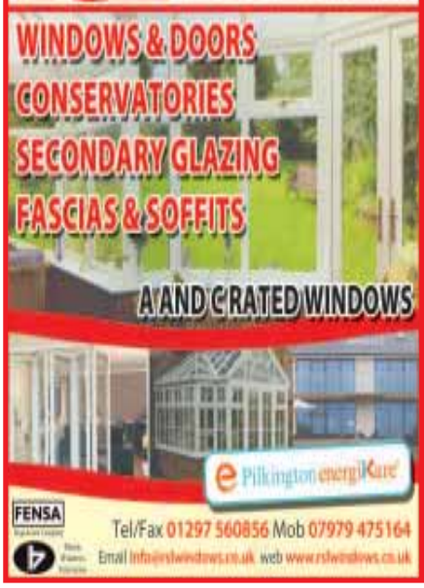

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Dominic Avery, Company Director at the retailer on Shoe Lane, comments: "We wanted to help motorists in Bridport take to the road in a brand new Vauxhall for less, whilst also cutting the cost of fuel at the pumps. And if it helps them to stick to a New Year's resolution, then that's an added bonus. We'd like to encourage all those looking to treat themselves to a new car for the year ahead to drop by our showroom during the event and take advantage of the fantastic offers we have available."

The Vauxhall Free Fuel Event takes place between 27th December 2015 and 11th January 2016 at Lanehouse Bridport located at St Andrews Industrial Estate, Shoe Lane, Bridport, Dorset, DT6 3EX. For more details, please visit the retailer, go online to www.lanehouse-group.co.uk or call 01308 458018.

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Government road safety measures don't go far enough, says GEM

ROAD safety organisation GEM Motoring Assist today welcomed many of the UK Government's proposed new road safety measures. However, GEM believes there is a missed opportunity for re-establishing a national road safety target, safeguarding young drivers and reducing the drink-drive limit.

GEM chief executive David Williams MBE said:

"We urge Government to bring back national targets. These provide the much-needed central focus for the efforts of road safety professionals across the country.

"We support the introduction of graduated licensing (GDL) for new drivers. January 2016 marks the third anniversary of the announcement of the Green Paper on GDL. In that time we estimate that 1,300 people will have been killed or seriously injured in young driver crashes that could have been prevented by a GDL system1.

"We are convinced that a reduction in the drink-drive limit from the current 0.08g/dl is long overdue. Latest estimates2 show that a reduction in the limit to 0.05g/dl in 2010 would have saved 25 lives and prevented around 95 serious injuries in each of the following three years. Therefore any political motivation for keeping a limit that was set in 1967 needs to be replaced by an agenda that has public safety at its core."

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West Bay Sea Angling Club

McMaster pips Lynham to junior title

IN an extremely tight finish, Nathan McMaster squeezed out Eden Lynham to win this year's West Bay Sea Angling Club's Jurassic League Trophy.

The Jurassic League takes place over the last two months of the year with members having to face some challenging weather conditions, with one match cancelled and another fished from the Black Hut. The league results are then based on the aggregate weight of all these matches.

This year's overall winner McMaster, only had a slim lead of 22g over runner-up Lynham.

Jurassic League Trophy Result (top five) - 1st: Nathan McMaster 554g; 2nd: Eden Lynham 532g, 3rd: Caolan Ayers 435g; 4th: Jamie Salvador Swords 394g; 5th: Ollie Butler 378g

Eleven members and one guest turned out to fish the final match.

Although quite windy, the afternoon was generally dry with most competitors choosing to fish on the inside of East Pier.

After a slow start a good number of fish soon started coming to the scales with flounder, pout, bass, pollack and rockling.

Guest competitor Josh Craven soon took an early lead with the first fish of the day, a flounder, but before long he was overtaken by 'legal' sized fish (fish achieving minimum size which take precedence).

It wasn't until the latter stages of the match that Jack Parkman stormed into pole position with a double-shot of fish; a shore rockling and pout; both legal-sized which gave him a strong lead and secured him first place in the match.

These fish, along with an earlier caught but undersized flounder, also qualified him for additional prizes.

Swords held on to second place with Abbie Button securing third spot.

This being Christmas and the last match of the year, parents generously donated extra prizes and a special mention must go to Hilary Smith for putting up Christmas hampers for the top three positions.

Match results (19th December) - 1st: Jack Parkman 365g (236g sizeable weight), 2nd: Jamie Salvador Swords 394 g (191g sizeable weight), 3rd: Abbie Button 14g (14g sizable weight), Heaviest flat: Jack Parkman 129g flounder, Heaviest round: Jack Parkman 173g shore rockling, Heaviest overall fish: Jack Parkman 173g shore rockling, Smallest fish: Kadie Lynham 16g five-bearded rockling

Most fish: Eden Lynham x5, Most species: tie; Jack Parkman and Jamie Salvador Swords x3 each, Wooden spoon: Ewan Chambers, Sponsors on the day: Hilary Smith, Watchouse Cafe, Kay Guppy, Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Jason Salvador Swords, Paul Lynham, Andrew Fowler and Paddy McMaster.

After the competition junior secretary Roger Guppy, thanked Steve and Sally Lawrence from the Punch and Judy Bakery for providing buffets free of charge for not only this event, but the Saturday Junior League presentation held in November.

Thanks were also given to Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Hilary Smith and Craig Horton for helping out throughout the year along with Maureen Jackson for presenting prizes and trophies.

A very healthy prize table was on offer again thanks to *Abbotsbury Fishing Tackle* along with several individual donors.

A special mention was given to past member Andy Preston who donated a substantial amount of fishing equipment.

Prizes were awarded for the winners of the final match and this was followed by the full results of the league, with a prize for everyone who fished that day.

To end proceedings, Maureen Jackson gave a vote of thanks to junior secretary Roger Guppy for running the junior section throughout the year.

This year had a 'best dressed Santa or elf' theme and was judged by club vice president Maureen Jackson.

Christmas fancy dress Competition

Best junior: Ollie Butler; 2nd: Eden Lynham; 3rd: Aaron Chambers; 4th: Abbie Button, Best parent: Paul Lynham.

League sponsors: Andy Preston, Abbotsbury Fishing Tackle, Richard 'Tiny' Daw, Ollie Mears, Richard, Malvin Chambers, Gerry Reed, Nigel and Jane Smith and Samantha Courtice.

The junior matches start again next April and the club's new membership year starts January 1st along with the first shore match of the year at Abbotsbury, fishing from 1pm to 6pm.

Families are encouraged to take advantage of the new family subscription rate; for more details contact the Angling Centre West Bay.

◆ **CLOSE RUN THING:** Jurassic league winner Nathan McMaster (centre) with runner up Eden Lynham and vice president Maureen Jackson and junior secretary Roger Guppy.

Horse racing - Wessex Point-to-Point

Busy time ahead for Wessex point-to-pointers

THE new point-to-point season is underway and Wessex area has a further 21 meetings in store from early January to the end of May.

Aside from your favourite local free newspaper, check out weekly on www.pointingwessex.co.uk and updates on Twitter (@pointingwessex1) and Facebook (Point to Point Racing in Wessex).

A colour leaflet detailing all fixtures can also be yours by sending an SAE to Gill Armstrong, Pantiles, Penselwood, Wincanton BA9 8NF.

LARKHILL RACING CLUB
Saturday, January 3rd. First race: 12 noon
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Secretary: Mrs M O'Hare (tel: 01980 655556)

ROYAL ARTILLERY
Saturday, January 23rd. First race: 11.30am
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Sec: Mr A Connell (01980 662529).

SOUTH DORSET
Sunday, January 31st. First race: 12.30pm
MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset.
Sec: Mrs K Davis (01258 817151).

COMBINED SERVICES
Sunday, February 7th. First race: 11.15am
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Sec: Mrs M O'Hare (01980 655556)

COUNTRYSIDE ALLIANCE CLUB (WESSEX)
Sunday, February 21st. First race: 12.00noon
BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset
Sec: Mrs J Stockdale (01258 455412).

NEW FOREST*
Sunday, February 28th. First race: 12 noon
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Sec: Mr J Young (01590 622515).

BLACKMORE & SPARKFORD VALE*
Sunday, March 6th. First race: 12.30pm
CHARLTON HORETHORNE, nr Sherborne, Dorset
Sec: Mrs C Hinks (01963 370260).

QUANTOCK STAGHOUNDS
Saturday, March 12th. First race: 12.30pm
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset
Sec's: Mrs B Tully & Mrs S Baker. (01278 732944).

WILTON
Saturday, March 19th.
First (Charity Flat) race: 12.30pm
First (Point-to-Point) race: 1.30pm
MILBORNE ST ANDREW, nr Bere Regis, Dorset
Sec's: Mr & Mrs M Elgar (01722 718368)

MENDIP FARMERS*
Sunday, March 20th. First race: 12.30pm
STON EASTON, nr Shepton Mallet, Somerset. Sec: Mr G Pullen (07879 645364).

AVON VALE*
Easter Saturday, March 26th.
First race: 1.30pm
LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Sec: Mrs A Palmer (07976 335400).

TAUNTON VALE FOXHOUNDS & HARRIERS*
Easter Monday, March 28th.
First race: 1.30pm

KINGSTON ST MARY, nr Taunton, Somerset. Sec: Mrs V Kemp (01404 881353).

PORTMAN
Sunday, April 3rd. First race: 2pm
BADBURY RINGS, nr Wimborne, Dorset
Sec: Mrs S Old (01258 817101).

COTLEY
Saturday, April 9th. First race: 12.30pm
COTLEY, nr Chard, Somerset
Sec: Mr A Palmer (01297 678525).

SEAVINGTON*
Sunday, April 17th. First race: 2pm
LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset
Sec: Mr G Rendell (01308 868332).

SOUTH & WEST WILTS
Saturday, April 30th.
First (Charity Flat) race: 1.15pm
First (Point-to-Point) race: 2pm

LARKHILL, nr Amesbury, Wiltshire
Sec: Mrs E Marriott (07771 528763).

DEVON & SOMERSET STAGHOUNDS
Sunday, May 1st. First race: 2pm
HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset
Sec: Mrs L Pugsley (01398 341317).

CATTISTOCK*
Bank Holiday Monday, May 2nd.
First race: 2pm
LITTLEWINDSOR, nr Beaminster, Dorset
Sec: Mrs N Atkinson (01935 83892).

MINEHEAD HARRIERS & WEST SOMERSET HUNT
Saturday, May 7th. First race: 2pm
HOLNICOTE, nr Minehead, Somerset
Sec's: Ms K Boutflower & Mrs D Stevens (01984 629266).

WESTON & BANWELL HARRIERS*
Wednesday, May 11th. First race: 4.30pm
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset
Sec: Mr J Fear (01278 783261).

WEST SOMERSET VALE*
Sunday, May 29tyh. First race: 2pm
COTHELSTONE, nr Taunton, Somerset
Sec: Miss K Cooke (01934 853330)

**Meeting includes pony racing.*

Bridport Skittles

CUP fixtures for week beginning Monday, January 11th.

Mens Individuals (2nd Round)
Tuesday, January 12th
Ilchester Arms - N. Pye; A Cauldwell; B Robinson; R Pincombe; M Powell; C Willcox; D Cooper; M Horton; M Huxter; A Gay; S Lee; D Cowburn; B Chapple; L Dare; S Welsford; C Langdon.

Ladies Individuals (1st round)
Wednesday, January 13th
Bradpole Club - S Newman; G Legg; M Paulley; J Brooks; E Hooper; M Hansford; C Lambert; S Luter; H Doble; J Cake; K Tuck; C Huxter; J Symes.

Bridport Bowls

Tattershall on fire

PHIL Tattershall put in a great drawing performance for the Bridport county mixed side as they beat DORCHESTER 74-70.

The former Fire & Rescue Station Commander, along with Erica Sarson, Laura & Bob Taylor, won 21-12 to seal the victory.

Tony Sharood, Mary Corfield, Sue & Brian Walsh finished with a two count to win 17-16 at home, with Mary Marsh, Brian Pratt, Brian Legg & Janet Tattershall dropping a two on the last end to lose 18-20.

At Dorchester, Viv Gill, David Aylott, Ann Parkins & Barry Mapson went down 18-22, but the margin of the last four's victory saw them home.

Bridport's Ann Parkins spent an enjoyable weekend on the Isle of Wight with several Lyme Regis outdoor bowlers, and with Tiger Carpenter, Dave Wood & Paul Pomeroy won the prestigious WARNER LEISURE HOTELS FOURS Competition, picking up a large trophy and a £20 cheque.

Bridport Table Skittles

Division A	Pd	Pts	BL
Jesters	12	47	9
Crown Duels	12	46	11
What an Anchor	12	39	8
No Hopers	11	35	4
Morris Heads	10	34	6
Hopeless Anchors	12	32	6
What's the Odds	12	31	7
Mucking Fuddlers	11	28	3
Fred's Heroes	11	23	6
Ria Gunners	11	21	8
Odds Against	11	20	2
George Gormets	12	15	2
The Devils	11	14	5
Consorts	11	14	2

Division B	Pd	Pts	BL
Pat the Hat	11	37	6
Fishermens Friends	10	35	8
Baggies Boys	10	33	7
Slingers	11	31	6
Bellends	9	28	2
Nelson Villains	10	28	7
Hit & Hope	10	27	5
Little Nibblers	11	27	6
Mel's men	9	19	4
Stick Ups	8	16	3
Five Alive	11	16	4
About Time	9	13	3
Has Beens	9	10	3

Charminster Golf

Double for Draper

DESPITE the generally wet conditions, there were six competitions held at Charminster Golf Club during December.

The WEDNESDAY MEDAL was won by Bob Irwin who has had several successes during the year. His 91/24/67 was just ahead of second placed Colin Davis who scored 87/19/68. In third place was Alan Delahaye with 95/23/72.

The SUNDAY MEDAL brought a further success for Andy Draper. His 86/18/68 score was recognised by a subsequent one-shot handicap reduction.

Brian Drammis took second place with 82/12/70. His was the joint lowest gross round with Jules Walker. Leon Newey was third with 91/21/70.

Peter Churchill's 35 points secured the SENIORS CHRISTMAS CRACKER on countback ahead of John Robinson. Roger Ingram was third with 33 points.

The CLUB CHRISTMAS CRACKER resulted in another success for Andy Draper with 38 points. Alan Delahaye also had this score, with countback again being employed. Jules Walker scored 37 for third place.

The WEDNESDAY TURKEY TROT was won by Bob Irwin with 38 points. Charlie Dunn (37) was second and Terry Drudge third with 36. Prizes went down to sixth place and Roger Ingram, John Robinson and Tony Lee were placed next in that order.

The SUNDAY TURKEY TROT was won by Alan Delahaye with 40 points. Jules Walker took second with 35 and Leon Newey third with 34.

Peter Churchill, Roger Kellaway and Mark Boggust respectively took the final prize placings. The event concluded with the annual Christmas draw.

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Sailing club youth section thriving

LYME Regis Sailing club members recently met for the traditional Mince pies and Punch to round off another successful year of sailing.

Plans are now in place for next season, these include the youth training programme run in three sections according to age and ability.

The 'Oppie' cadets (aged 6 to 10) train on Saturday afternoons accompanied by an adult parent member who will assist the trained volunteer organisers. A few places for the second summer course remain.

Parents do not need to have previous sailing experience or qualifications, just be willing to get a bit wet and help out! Contact Vice Commodore Dave Stubbs, stubbsys@gmail.com.

There are places available for Tuesday evenings when youth section beginners and improvers meet, which is now open for local young people to apply for 2016.

The main requirements are a keen interest in having a go and confidence in the water. All youngsters taking part must be club members, but the officers and committee are offering concessions for up to six who would find the £60 outlay for membership prevents them applying. There is no further charge for training sessions.

"We are looking to get some new boats so that there is opportunity to sail at training and take part in club racing when you progress to that level", said organiser Sally Holman who continued: "There is pressure on resources and we need flexibility. Grants from local organisations are helping us.

"We prefer parents to be members and those with sailing skills are always welcome, but it is not a condition. If you feel like having a go, get in touch now."

Commodore Jerry Rook, whose own daughter Mary is now with the Olympic squad, is keen to help newcomers to the club. Ages for this group range from 10 to 16, it doesn't matter what age you start, progress is by skills and confidence.

Young sailors progress to the Race Group, run by Jerry, meet on a Saturday morning for training and take a lead in youth sailing at the club during racing and events: they are hooked on the sport, crew for adult members and have their own social events.

Present members include Max Smith, Fraser Earle, Max Helston and Jack Young.

The Youth regatta is held at the end of August. Parents are supportive, as for Tuesday training.

To join this group you will probably need your own boat. Selection of members is on sailing skills, mastery of the basics, confidence to rig, launch and sail a boat round a race triangle, basic knowledge of the rules of racing.

Now is the time to apply if you would like to join Tuesday sailing. Jim Thomas will be chief coach on the water, well known to all local students.

Several Tuesday students progress to the Race Group each season. Contact club secretary Sally Holman on 01297442373, email Sally.cobblyme@btinternet.com

◆ **SETTING OFF:** The Oppie Section launching at one of their Saturday afternoon training sessions

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